

JOURNAL

OF THE

CONVENTION OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1865.

Pursuant to the proclamation of His Excellency B. F. Perry, Provisional Governor of the State of South Carolina, providing for the calling of a Convention of the people of the State, to assemble in Columbia, on Wednesday, the 13th of September A. D., 1865, the Delegates from the several Election Districts of this State, assembled in the Baptist Church, in the town of Columbia, on this day, at 12 o'clock m.

On motion of Mr. ROBERTSON, of Fairfield, Mr. F. J. Moses, a delegate from Sumter, was called to the Chair. The Chair then proceeded to appoint Mr. J. H. Norwood, a delegate from Darlington, and Mr. F. W. McMaster, a delegate from Richland, temporary Secretaries.

The credentials of the following individuals were then exhibited, and their names enrolled as members of the Convention:

From Abbeville—Messrs. D. L. Wardlaw, Thomas Thomson, W. A. Lee and J. W. Hearst.
From All Saints—Mr. W. A. De Lettre.
From Anderson—Messrs. J. L. Orr, John Wilson, Alexander Ervin, W. S. Pickens.

From Barnwell—Messrs. A. P. Aldrich, J. J. Brabham, J. M. Whetstone.
From Chester—Messrs. James Hemphill, A. P. Wylie, C. D. Melton.
From Chesterfield—Messrs. John A. Inglis, Henry McIver.

From Christ Church—Mr. R. T. Morrison.
From Clarendon—Messrs. Jas. McCauley, John Peter Richardson.
From Darlington—Messrs. David C. Milling, J. H. Norwood, J. E. Byrd.
From Edgefield—Messrs. W. S. Mobley, G. D. Tilman, R. G. M. Dunovan, F. W. Pickens, Paul H. Hammond.

From Fairfield—Messrs. Jas. H. Rion, John Bratton, William R. Robertson.
From Greenville—Messrs. William H. Perry, James P. Boyce.
From Horry—Mr. Joel B. Skipper.

From Kershaw—Messrs. A. D. Goodwyn, L. W. R. Blair.
From Lancaster—Messrs. R. M. Sims, J. L. Reed.
From Laurens—Messrs. C. P. Sullivan, Wm. Mills, jr., A. W. Moore, B. W. Yall.

From Lexington—Messrs. L. Boozer, John Fox.
From Marion—Messrs. A. Q. McDuffie, Wm. S. Wilson, R. H. Reeves.
From Marlboro—Messrs. T. C. Weatherly, C. W. Dudley.
From Newberry—Messrs. E. P. Lake, Henry Sumner, R. Stewart.

From Orange—J. H. Morgan.
From Pickens—Messrs. Edward Herndon, L. B. Johnson, Alexander Bryce, Sr., James LaFayette Boyd.
From Richland—Messrs. A. R. Taylor, Wm. Wallace, F. W. McMaster.

From St. Andrew's—Mr. Wm. Izard Bull.
From St. Bartholomew's—Mr. A. Campbell.
From St. James' Goose Creek—Mr. W. M. Brailsford.
From St. James'antee—Mr. J. T. Duke.
From St. George's Dorchester—Mr. W. A. Chisolm.
From St. Matthew's—Mr. T. J. Goodwyn.
From St. Peter's—H. C. Smart.

From St. Philip's and St. Michael's—Messrs. Charles Macbeth, Alfred Huger, H. D. Lessee, W. H. Gilliland, James Conner, W. M. Martin, F. Melchers, P. C. Gaillard, John Schnierle, Geo. W. Williams, James Rose, John A. Wagner, Charles H. Simonton, P. J. Coogan, A. O. Andrews, Edward Frost, William S. Henery.

From St. Stephen's—Mr. W. H. Cannon.
From St. Thomas and St. Dennis—Mr. C. M. Furman.
From Spartanburg—Messrs. J. Winsmith, John W. Carlisle, M. C. Barnett, James Farrow.
From Sumter—Messrs. F. J. Moses, John N. Frierson, Thomas M. Muldrow.

From Union—Messrs. W. H. Wallace, T. N. Dawkins, Wm. J. Keenan.
From Williamsburg—Mr. J. A. James.
From Winthrop—Mr. E. Dozier.

From York—Messrs. R. A. Ross, W. C. Beatty, W. C. Black, Cadwallader Jones.

The Convention then proceeded to ballot for permanent President, with the following result:

First Ballot.	
Whole number of votes cast	100
Necessary to a choice	51
Mr. D. L. Wardlaw received	42 votes.
Mr. C. W. Dudley received	36 votes.
Mr. T. N. Dawkins received	12 votes.
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Second Ballot.	
Whole number of votes cast	101
Necessary to a choice	51
Mr. D. L. Wardlaw received	55 votes.
Mr. C. W. Dudley received	35 votes.
Mr. T. N. Dawkins received	9 votes.
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The CHAIR announced that Mr. D. L. Wardlaw, having received a majority of the votes cast, was duly elected permanent President of the Convention.

On motion of Mr. ALDRICH, Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to conduct the President elect to the chair.

The following gentlemen were appointed: Messrs. A. P. Aldrich, Edward Frost and John A. Inglis.

The President elect then addressed the Convention. On motion of Mr. ORR, it was Resolved, That the President appoint a Clerk, Messenger and Door-keeper for the Convention.

On motion of Mr. ORR, it was Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to wait on Governor Perry, inform him that the Convention was organized, had elected the Hon. D. L. Wardlaw President, and was ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make.

Mr. ALDRICH introduced the following resolutions, which, on motion of Mr. DUDLEY, were ordered to lie on the table:

Resolved, That under the present extraordinary circumstances, it is both wise and politic to accept the condition in which we are placed; to endure patiently the evils which we cannot avert or correct, and to await calmly the time and opportunity to effect our deliverance from unconstitutional rule.

Resolved, That a Committee, to consist of one member from each Judicial District, be raised, to prepare business for the Convention, and to which shall be referred all matters relating to the public welfare of the State.

Mr. ORR, from the Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, reported that his Excellency will communicate with the Convention to-morrow, at 12 o'clock m.

On motion of Mr. FROST, it was Resolved, That a Committee of Three be appointed to prepare and report rules for the government of the Convention.

Messrs. Frost, Moses and Inglis were appointed the committee. On motion of Mr. MELTON, it was ordered that the returns of the Managers of Elections for St. Luke's be referred to a Committee of Three, to investigate and report thereon.

Whereupon, the PRESIDENT appointed Messrs. Melton, Aldrich and Orr of the Committee.

Mr. INGLIS offered the following resolutions, which, on motion of Mr. ORR, were postponed for further consideration until to-morrow, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Resolved, That the following Committees be appointed, and a Chairman of each be designated by the President of the Convention:

1. A Committee consisting of one Member from each Judicial District in the State represented in this Convention, to be styled "The Committee on the Constitution of the State," to which shall be referred all propositions touching the Constitution, or the re-writing, altering or amending of the same.
2. A Committee of Thirteen Members, to be styled "The Committee on Federal Relations," to which shall be referred all propositions touching the relations of this State to the Government of the United States.
3. A Committee of Thirteen Members, to be styled "The Committee on Colored Population," to which shall be referred all propositions touching the subject of slavery, and the condition of the colored people of the State.
4. A Committee of Thirteen Members, to be styled "The Committee on Ways and Means," to which shall be referred all propositions touching raising and disbursing of money by this Convention, and all pecuniary claims against the Convention.
5. A Committee of Thirteen Members, to be styled "The Committee on Ordinances and Resolutions," to which shall be referred all propositions to be ordained or resolved by this Convention, exclusively referable to any one of the other Committees, or in any provided for.
6. A Committee of Seven Members, to be styled "The Committee on Printing," which shall be charged with procuring such printing as may be required by the Convention, and superintending the same.

Mr. PICKENS offered the following Ordinance, which, on motion, was ordered to lie on the table:

We, the Delegates of the People of the State of South Carolina, in Convention met, do Ordain, That the Ordinance passed in Convention, of December, 1860, withdrawing this State from the Federal Union, and the same is hereby repealed.

The fortunes of war, together with the proclamations of the President of the United States and the generals in the field commanding, having decided that domestic slavery is abolished; therefore, under the circumstances, we acquiesce in said proclamations, and do hereby ordain implicit obedience to the Constitution of the United States, and all laws made in pursuance thereof.

On motion of Mr. SIMONTON, Ordered, That when the Convention adjourns, it be adjourned to meet to-morrow, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Mr. RYAN—That to-morrow he would offer certain amendments to the resolutions offered by Mr. Inglis.

On motion of Mr. SIMONTON, the Convention was adjourned at 5 o'clock P. M.

J. H. NORWOOD,
F. W. McMASTER,
Secretaries of the Convention.

The New York Post, in referring to the Greeley-Weed controversy, is not delicate in its comparisons. It says, "two stout and frowzy viragos abusing each other in the street, do not make a delectable sight for respectable men or women; indeed, the spectacle is one to make a decent man blush that he belongs to the same species with them. Yet the flaming eyes, the nasty words, the matted locks and ragged clothing, the whole aspect of rage and fury have a charm for the more brutal part of mankind, who cry on the combatants, and are the more delighted the fiercer their rage and the more damaging their blows. The sutlers and camp-followers of Grant's army might well claim to have led it, as these fellows claim to have led the nation. They marched with it—that is true—but they often grumbled at the General, and their chief occupation was to pick up the crumbs that were dropped by the fighting men."

Judge Howard, Democratic candidate for the Governorship of Maine, says: "The respective States are the pillars on which the structure of the General Government rests, and as these are weakened or destroyed, the structure must totter or fall. The personal, social and political rights of all must be guarded and protected, but these rights are to be adjusted, mainly, by the respective States, leaving the General Government supreme within its sphere."

"I am not, and never have been, in favor of making voters or jurors of negroes, nor of qualifying them to hold offices or to intermarry with the white people; and I will say in addition to this, that there is a physical difference between the white and black races, which I believe will forever forbid the two races living together on terms of social and political equality. And inasmuch as they cannot so live, while they do remain together there must be the position of superior and inferior; and I, as much as any other man, am in favor of having the superior position assigned to the white race, to which I belong."

[Abraham Lincoln.]

Rhode Island boasts a squash vine sixty feet long and growing.

MARRIED,

On the 10th instant, at Columbia, by the Rev. Mr. Simmons, of London, Mr. A. CASPARY, of Laurens, to Miss A. GOODMAN, formerly of Charleston.

On the 10th inst., by the Rev. Dr. J. J. O'Connell, Mr. S. L. VOORHIES, of Co. A. 25th Ohio Vol. Infantry, and Mrs. MARY BRIEN, of this city.

WM INGLISS, Barber,

At Nickerson's Hotel, is prepared to SHAVE, CUT and DYE. The public is invited to give him a call. Sept 14 '65

RESTAURANT.

MRS. EMMA ROE has opened an EATING HOUSE, on Lincoln street, one door from Lady, where gentlemen can procure their REGULAR MEALS, LUNCHES, etc., at all hours. The very best of everything in the market will be furnished. Sept 14 '65

Auction Sales.

By A. R. Phillips.
THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at 11 o'clock, I will sell, in front of my Auction Room, Bedell's Row, The thorough bred stallion CHILD HAROLD, six years old. Pedigree given at sale.

Sundries.
By A. R. Phillips.
THIS (Thursday) MORNING, at 10 o'clock, I will sell, at my Auction Room, Bedell's building, Sundry articles of Furniture, Blankets, Carpets, Rosewood Desks, Plated Waiter, Ladies' Gaiters, Silver Cup, 1 Heavy Plated Pitcher, 1,000 fine Segars, Lot Books, 1 Office Stove. Sept 14 Unlimited articles received until hour of sale.

Estate Sale.
ON SATURDAY, the 30th instant, I will sell, on the premises, the PERSONAL PROPERTY of the late J. J. ODOM, deceased, consisting of: Household and Kitchen Furniture, Carpenter's Tools, Plantation Utensils, Ploughs, Chickens, Hogs, Goats, Cattle, in fine condition. Terms made known at the sale, or upon application to D. B. DESAUSSURE, Auctioneer Cum Testamento Annexo. N. 5

Core & Calhoun, C. S. MERCHANTS,
No. 12, between Gates and Market streets, (near duce, or store, R. R. Depots,) Columbia. We will ship forward all kinds of despatch from Cotton and all Pro-bore or other parties consigning breakage on said ship with horse wagons for Charleston, Winns-B. H. MOUNCE, during the REFERENCES.—J. G. G. two two-Scott, Columbia; Johns Charleston; Linton & DeLHOUN, Wm. Taylor & Co., Montgwin J. Braynard & Co., Mobile, Ala.; Finney, Danville, Va.; Rob. Ga.; Richmond, Va. S. Fox.

Notice
TO
MEMBERS
OF THE
CONVENTION



REGULAR MEMBERS of the Convention can purchase LIQUORS by the bottle, or in larger quantities—in compliance with authority received from Headquarters—at the store of
MELVIN M. COHEN,
Assembly street, West side, One door from Pendleton street.
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HAVANA SEGARS
AND

IMPORTED LIQUORS!

THE CHOICEST BRANDS of the above, fresh importations, for sale by
MELVIN M. COHEN,
Assembly street, West side, One door from Pendleton street.
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TOYS, TOYS, TOYS.

A VARIETY of TOYS for little children, just received and for sale by
MELVIN M. COHEN,
Assembly street, West side, One door from Pendleton street.
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COME TO THE CONVENTION!



BUT before you go, call and try some of our choice
RUSS' BRANDY COCKTAILS,
CHAMPAGNE,
WINES,
ALE,
PORTER,
CORDIALS, &c., &c.

A fine article of BOURBON WHISKEY, Spanish and American SEGARS, TOBACCO, &c.
Just received and for sale by
MOISE & ORGHARD,

Pendleton street, one door West of Richardson, back of the State House. Can be sold without an order to members of the Convention. Sept 14 '65

FASHIONABLE MILLINERY.

MRS. ADDIE DOUGAL informs the ladies of Columbia that she has just returned from New York with a small but very choice selection of BONNETS, RIBBONS, FEATHERS, etc., which she will dispose of at reasonable rates. She will be in constant receipt of articles in the millinery line, of the very latest styles. Residence on Gates street, adjoining Phoenix office.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE.

THE undersigned, having associated with him in business his son, EUGENE R. WALTER, the firm will hereafter be known as GEORGE H. WALTER & SON. The new firm will continue to receive and forward promptly all MERCHANDISE and PRODUCE confided to their care; and they hope the patronage so liberally extended to the old house will be continued to the new firm. GEORGE H. WALTER. Orangeburg, September 11, 1865. Sept 14 '65



Notice.

THE copartnership heretofore existing between the subscribers, under the firms of BLAKELY & WILLIAMS, Charleston, and J. M. BLAKELY & CO., Columbia, is dissolved this day by mutual consent. Either partner is authorized to settle the affairs of the late concerns. All parties indebted to the late firms of Caldwell, Blakely & Co., Blakely & Williams, J. M. Blakely & Co., and to the estates of Richard Anderson and Lyles & Anderson, are requested to make payment to either of the undersigned. J. M. BLAKELY, Columbia, S. C. W. B. WILLIAMS, Charleston, S. C. Sept. 1, 1865.

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W. B. WILLIAMS will continue the Factorage and Commission Business in Charleston, and offers his services to the friends and customers of the late firms of Caldwell, Blakely & Co. and Blakely & Williams. Sept 14

New Store!

NEW GOODS!



HAVING just built a large store and received an EXTENSIVE STOCK OF GOODS of all descriptions, I am prepared to offer them on liberal terms. I have DRY GOODS, FANCY GOODS, HARDWARE, GROCERIES, CROCKERY, &c., In great variety.

JAMES M. WILSON, of Charleston, extensively known as one of the firm of D. F. Fleming & Co., is associated with me. In connection with other business, I propose to have WEEKLY AUCTION SALES, and have secured the services of that well-known Auctioneer, Mr. CHARLES F. HARRISON. Articles of all kinds sold on commission, and prompt attention given to all business. JAMES G. GIBBES, General Commission Merchant. Sept 14 '65